



## Iowa Smart Planning Task Force Committee Report Template

Committee Name: Intergovernmental Coordination & Information Sharing  
Co-Chairs: Emily Hajek and Don Temeyer  
**Workgroup:** **Integration of Smart Planning Principles**  
Chair: Emily Shields  
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### Scope of committee work:

The Iowa Smart Planning bill articulates ten Iowa Smart Planning Principles for application in local comprehensive planning development and public investment decision-making. It also requires that state agencies consider Smart Planning Principles when planning for the future. The Principles are intended to guide state-level decision-making processes as they relate to local and regional community planning and state programmatic development. The types of decisions that should consider the Principles are those that impact the built environment in local communities and capital investments. More specifically, the types of decisions when one should consider the Principles are those that affect how Iowa communities grow, change, and resize such as planning, zoning, development, and resource management.

The task of the Integration Workgroup is to evaluate state policies, programs, statutes, and rules to determine if they should be revised to integrate smart planning principles. Given the short time-frame available for the first set of recommendations from this group, we will focus on determining a process for this evaluation and not completing the full evaluation.

### Recommendations

*List and explain the proposals this committee has chosen to recommend to the Iowa Smart Planning Task Force for consideration in its report to the Governor and General Assembly. Include the following information with each proposal:*

- *List the directive from SF2389 that is answered by this proposal*
- *Describe the proposal*
- *Articulate how this will positively impact Iowa (include why this is needed)*
- *Identify reports, best practices, and other resources that were consulted while developing the proposal*
- *Identify impacted agencies and organizations*
- *Determine if new legislation is necessary, current law(s) needs to be revised (identify Code section(s)), or improvements can be made without legislative action*
- *Estimate resources needed to implement the proposal (include multi-year state fiscal impact, whether this is a one-time or multi-year cost, potential funding sources, number of FTEs needed, and any other information as appropriate)*

- Which directives listed in SF2389 were not fully addressed and what is the plan/process to address them by December 2012?

### **Outline of Draft Recommendations:**

1. Integrate Smart Planning Principles into Enterprise Strategic Planning process.
  - a. State Planning Entity should work to create and regularly update a statewide strategic plan that can help guide agency strategic plans.
  - b. Update the *Guide for Agency Strategic Planning* to explain how to incorporate Smart Planning Principles.
  - c. Create and update metrics towards the Principles in both the statewide and individual agency plans.
  - d. The State Planning Entity should be a clearinghouse of agency plans and provide accountability and transparency on metrics.
2. Integrate Smart Planning Principles into state investment decisions, particularly grant programs.
  - a. Work towards providing a clearinghouse of state grant opportunities through the State Planning Entity.
  - b. Create a process of rating local plans through the State Planning Entity that can be used in agency grant processes to provide consistency and limit paperwork.
  - c. Provide training to state grant fund administrators on incorporating Smart Planning Principles.
  - d. Provide state agencies with “planning advisors” to assist in their planning processes and help provide connections to related resources.
  - e. A pool of funding should be administered by the State Planning Entity that provides a “bonus” to local government in addition to grant awards related to Smart Planning to provide extra incentives for good comprehensive plans that utilize the Principles.
3. Greater understanding of Smart Planning
  - a. The State Planning Entity should be a clearinghouse of information on Smart Planning.
  - b. Information should be provided on the Smart Planning Principles that provides greater clarification, definition, examples and metrics.

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